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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Cancelled)
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8. (Cancelled)
9. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:  
running guest software in a processor mode that enables the guest software to  
operate at a privilege level intended by the guest software;  
identifying an attempt of the guest software to perform an operation restricted by  
said processor mode;

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determining that the attempt of the guest software would fail if the guest software was running outside said processor mode; and allowing the guest software to attempt the operation in response to determining that the attempt would fail.

10. (Cancelled)

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19. (Cancelled)

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31. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9 wherein determining that the attempt of the guest software would fail includes determining that the guest software is running with insufficient privilege to perform the operation.